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FM AMEMBASSY NDJAMENA

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INFO AMEMBASSY KHARTOUM

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DEPT PASS AID; ROME FOR FODAG

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SUBJECT: SOVIET UNION MOUNTS GRAIN AIRLIFT TO NORTHERN CHAD

REF: NDJAMENA A-045 ( NOTAL)

1. SOVIET ANTONOV 12 AIRCRAFT ARRIVED CHAD DECEMBER 16 TO BEGIN MINIMUM ONE MONTHS OPERATION TO FLY GRAIN TO HARD PRESSED (REFEL) NORTHERN REGIONS CHAD. PLANE ARRIVED WITH 15 PERSONNEL, COMPOSING TWO CREWS AND GROUND CREW.

2. PLANE BEGAN OPERATIONS DEC. 17 WITH FLIGHTS TO FAYA LAROEAU. FLIGHTS WILL ALSO BE MADE ABECHE WHEN REPAIRS ABECHE AIRPORT COMPLETED. PLANE EXPECTED TRANSPORT 22 TONS FOODSTUFFS FROM DOUALA, AND HOPEFULLY, SUDANESE GIFT OF 1,000 TONS SORGHUM PRESENTLY AT AL OBEID, SUDAN. NOT YET KNOWN, HOWEVER, WHETHER WILL BE POSSIBLE FLY GRAIN DIRECTLY FRON EL OBEID  
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TO FAYA AS CONDITION AIRPORT FORMER NOT KNOWN. CAPACITY

PLANE REDUCED TO ABOUT TWELVE TONS DUE NEED CARRY SUFFICIENT FUEL ROUND TRIP AS FUEL AVAILABLE NEITHER FAYA LARGEAU NOR ABECHE. POSSIBILITY THAT PLANE WILL CONTINUE OPERATIONS FOR SECOND MONTH.

3. COMMENT: SOVIETS UNDERTOOK SIMILAR OPERATION LAST JANUARY-MARCH. SOVIETS APPARENTLY REMAIN UNWILLING ATTEMPT LAND OTHER AIRPORTS IN NORTH WHICH UTILIZED BY USAF C-130S IN PAST. NEITHER EMB NOR UN AGENCIES APPROACHED IN NDJAMENA BY GOC FOR AIRLIFT ASSISTANCE. LOCAL UN REPRESENTATIVE UNDERSTANDS SOVIETS VOLUNTEERED AIRLIFT TO GOC.LITTLE

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